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r tonight, Sunday fair, cold- erly winds, becoming strong and shifting to northwest Sunday. High tide: 1:27 a. m.; 2:02 p. m. Sun rose 6:17 and sets 6:17

U.S. MAY TAKE CONTROL

Administration Hints that Tie-up of Nation's Traffic Lines in Time of Peril Not Permissible.

New York, March 17.—The railroad managers were informed yesterday that the engineers on the Santa Fe system had wired their grand chief they had withdrawn and would refuse to obey the strike order.

The conductors and engineers on the St. Louis & Southwestern have withdrawn, according to word reaching the managers, and on the Illinois Central the firemen have announced their intention to withdraw.

Reports received from various parts of the country by the railway managers indicated, they declared, organized withdrawal by some of the roads' employees from the brotherhoods' agreement to strike. Reports declared that in the East and South the engineers and conductors did not consider the grand chiefs had authority to call out the men without first submitting the strike question to a new vote.

New York, March 17.—Secretary Wilson, asked if he had received any instructions from President Wilson as to the course to be taken replied: "I have no mandates and we have no cut-and-dried plans. We are simply going to discuss the situation and see what can be done."

Secretary Lane asked regarding the instructions received by the special committee said:

"I did not come to New York with a club in my hand".

At midnight indications were that the meeting would be an all-night session. No announcement had been made of any conclusion reached by the committee.

Washington, March 17. — The United States government is preparing to take over the management and operation of the railroads of the country, if the rail strike order goes into effect tonight.

A proclamation by the President, it is understood, reciting the national peril and emergency will be followed by actual steps to assume the operation of the roads if the private operators of the transportation systems are admittedly unable to continue.

President Wilson yesterday appealed to representatives of the railroads and trainmen to avoid a strike. The President's appeal was sent to Elisha Lee, chairman of the conference committee of railroad managers; L. E. Sheppard, acting head of the trainmen; W. S. Stone, grand chief of the engineers, and W. S. Carter, president of the firemen and enginemen. It was as follows:

"I deem it my duty and right to appeal to you in this time of national peril to open again the questions at issue between the railroads and their operatives with a view to accommodation or settlement.

"With my approval, a committee of the Council of National Defense is about to seek a conference with you with that end in view.

"A general interruption of the railway traffic of the country at this time would entail a danger to the nation against which I have the right to enter my most solemn and earnest protest.

"It is now the duty of every patriotic man to bring matters of this sort to immediate accommodation. The safety of the country against manifest perils affecting its own peace and the peace of the whole world makes accommodation absolutely imperative and seems to me to render any other choice or action inconceivable."

The following telegram was received by President Wilson last night from the railroad managers' committee:

"In harmony with the spirit of your message, the national conference committee of railroads will cooperate with the committee of the Council of National Defense in an earnest effort to avert the national calamity which would result from an interruption of railroad traffic.

Richmond, March 17.—That employes of the Pennsylvania Railroad have, practically unanimously, protested the strike orders of the railway brotherhaad leaders, have refused to accept these orders and are of the opinion that the brotherhood executives exceeded their authority in calling for a national strike ef-

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HONORING ST. PATRICK

Pupils of St. Mary's Academy Rendered Interesting Program Before Large Audience Yesterday.

Green and gold intermingled the red, white and blue in the decorative scheme at St. Mary's Academy yesterday afternoon, at 2:30, when a capacity crowd of students, teachers, and friends gathered in the Assembly Hall to do honor to St. Patrick, on the eve of his feast day. The following program was rendered:

Hymn to St. Patrick ..... School.
Reading—St. Patrick's Sons Miss F. Evans.
The Dear Little Shamrock — Junior Singing Class.
Irish Melodies:—
(a) The Minstrel Boy.
(b) Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms.
(c) The Harp That Once Through Tara's Halls.
Violins — Misses F. Franey, J. Ramage, M. Lee, J. Robitaille, J. McClintock.
Pianos — Miss E. Ramage, R. Burke.
Mavourneen Acushla—Brown —Vocal Class.
Irish Folk Dance—Little Katherine Powers.
Colleen Darling—S. M. C.— Choral Club.
Last Rose of Summer:—
Violin—Miss W. Bayne.
Piano—Miss Louise Robinson.
Erin's Emblem, E. McGuire—Vocal. Class.
Faith of Our Fathers—School.
Pledge to America's Flag ..School.

The reading by Miss Evans was a selection and she read it with the spirit of which it was redolent. The folk dance by little Katharine Powers proved a prime favorite, for the little Miss was forced to accept an "encore." The vocal selections 'Colleen Darling" and "Erin's Emblem," original compositions by recent graduates in the Musical Conservatory of St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana, are special favorites with St. Mary's girls here, and their rendition was most creditable.

St. Mary's violinists were much in evidence in yesterday's program, and it was a surprise to many present to learn that some of the young players were mere beginners in the art.

At the close of the program all present pledged allegiance to the "flag of all flags," America's red, white and blue, emphasizing the central thought in Miss Evans' poem; vis. that "when America calls for defenders, every son of St. Patrick will answer "Right here."

MINISTREL SHOW.

To be Given for the Benefit of Reliance Fire Engine Company.

The Reliance Engine Company No. 5 announce that the players of Seminole Tribe of Red Men have kindly consented to repeat the ministrel show on April 18 and 19 for their benefit. The Red Men produced this performance last January and all who had the pleasure of witnessing it pronounced it a show well worth the price.

The Reliance Engine Company has not appealed to the public of Alexandria for over five years and it is hoped by those interested in the entertainment that the public in general will give their financial support towards this worthy organization in their efforts to rehabilitate its treasury.

The fire companies of Alexandria rank among the best in existence, and as the members derive no pay whatever from the city, they must depend upon the citizens for their assistance at entertainments which the various organizations give from time to time. The members of the Alexandria Fire Department are ready and willing at all hours of the day and night to respond to the alarm, and from past records, have done wonderful work in safe guarding our city from the flames.

The Red Men are to be congratulated on producing this show for such a worthy cause and it is hoped that when the boys start out with the tickets that every one approached will respond by purchasing at least one ticket. The players of Seminole Tribe will give an entirely new show, in fact everything will be new except the performers themselves.

The first rehearsal was held in the Young People's Building Monday night and the next rehearsal will be held tonight. Dont forget the dates of the performance, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, April 18th and 19th, in the Alexandria Opera House. The admission will be 25 and 35 cents.

MONEY TO LOAN—On first mortgage in Alexandria and Rosemont. Apply to Howard W. Smith, 107 north Fairfax street. 1-12-tf

In Memoriam

In rememberance of my beloved son, Albert R. Metzer, who passed to a higher life three years ago today, March 17, 1914.

I miss him and mourn him in silence unseen,
And dwell on the memories of joys that have been;
Unknown and forgotten by some he may be,
But the grave that contains him is sacred to me.
Thank God for the faith that teaches,
When struggles of life are o'er,
I shall meet my own, my loved one,
And shall know him once more.

Mother.

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Alexandria City and Suburbs

Mrs. Basil Mills, and son Joseph, of Richmond, are the guests of relatives and friends in this city.

Mrs. William T. Hinken, formerly of this city, but now of Richmond, who has been ill for the past eight weeks at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. William Desmond, in north St. Asaph street, is able to be out again.

Colonel B. W. Dunn, chief inspector, bureau of explosives, New York, will deliver a lecture in the opera house in this city on the evening of March 23rd. He will speak on the safe transportation and handling of explosives.

George W. Bontz and Howard W. Smith have been chosen delegate and alternate, respectively, to represent Alexandria Lodge of Elks at the national convention of Elks which will be held in Boston, Mass., in July next.

In the Circuit Court today Robinson Moncure, W. U. Varney and Leo P. Harlow, were appointed commissioners of a sale in the case of Clark & Winston, Inc., vs. the Alexandria Motorboat Company.

The State Corporation Commission has granted an amendment to the charter of Standard Moth Bag Company (Inc.), Rosslyn, changing name to Closgard Wardrobe Company (Inc.), and increasing its capital stock from $30,000 to $75,000.

In the Circuit Court today final decrees were awarded granting divorces to the plaintiffs from the defendants in the cases of Samuel Montgomery vs. Lottie W. Montgomery; also in the case of Emma Virginia Studds Flynn vs. David J. Flynn. Both were on the ground of desertion.

The Payne Street Chapel Christian Endeavor Society will hold its prayer meeting in the chapel tomorrow at 4 p. m. The topic will be "The Curse of Cowardice." Mr. W. C. Campbell will be the leader. All are invited to attend. Immediately after this meeting a short business meeting will be held for the purpose of electing officers for the coming term.

Much interest is felt here concerning the threatened railway strike which is announced to take effect tonight at six o'clock, as upwards of a thousand employees who reside in the city and its suburbs will be affected, providing all go out. An old employee of the Sotuhern road stated last night that he did not think that more than thirty percent of the men employed in the train service would strike, while there were others who intimated there would be more. Seven hundred or more are employed on the Washington division of the Southern road, between Washington and Monroe, a distance of about 166 miles Of that number 130 are engineers, 175 firemen, 125 conductors, 350 brakemen and 250 hostlers. From 250 to 300 are in the employ of the Washington-Southern road, the majority being employed at the Poomac yards.

Mrs. James Rector Smoot, of Lovingston, Nelson county, is the guest of Miss Laura Smoot, at her home 1009 King street.

Mrs. Robert Arnold, New Alexandria, has asked the Washington police to look for her daughter, Julia Arnold, 17 years old, who is missing from her home. She is described as short, slender, medium complexion, brown hair, blue eyes and attired in a green coat, blue skirt, and black straw hat.

Shad fishermen were warned by the Navy Department yesterday to keep off the Potomac River in the neighborhood of the United States proving ground. The present preparedness activity will necessitate almost continuous firing at the proving ground during the daylight hours, and fishermen are warned out of the areas in which projectiles are likely to fall.

A well attended and interesting meeting of Alexandria Council, Order Fraternal Americans, was held Thursday evening. Three candidates received the first, second and third degrees, one was received by card and two were elected for degrees. In addition to the ofregoing, five applicants are awaiting degrees. This fraternal organization has been in existence for nearly twenty-seven years and has enrolled among its members more than 300 of Alexandria citizens.

Evidence was given by Minerva Wiley, a colored woman residing at 818 Wolfe street, this city, at the coroner's inquest held at Demaine's undertaking parlors last night, to the effect that Luther Hardwick, the colored man who died at the Alexandria Hospital on March 2nd, was shot by Roan Matthews and William Rice. The shooting occurred near Cloud Mill, Fairfax county, on the night of February 21st. She said she witnessed the shooting. Rice was called "White Child." Both he and Matthews made good their escape and have not been found since. Both are colored. The jury rendered a verdict in accordance with the evidence given by the woman who said she was employed near the place where the shooting was done.

The St. Luke's Circle of King's Daughters has undertaken to furnish and endow two rooms in the new Alexandria hospital, one to be called The Dr. M. M. Lewis Memorial and the other The Bessie Davison Memorial. It is believed that Dr. Lewis has many friends and former patients who would like to help keep his memory green, and Miss Bessie B. Davison, the first superintendent and matron of the hospital—then called the Alexandria Infirmary—is lovingly remembered by many. If any one would like to share in these memorials, their help will be gratefully received by the Circle. Contributions may be sent to the president of the Circle, Miss Marbury, 514 Prince street, or to Miss Klipstein, 520 Prince street.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Services to be Held Tomorrow in Alexandria's Houses of Worship.

At St. Paul's Church Sunday School will be at 9:30 a. m. and preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

At Christ Church Sunday School and Emmanuel Bible Class will be at 9:30 a. m. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

At Grace Church Holy Communion will be celebrated at 7:30 a. m. Sunday School will be held at 9:30 a. m. Services will also be held at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

The Free Methodist Church in south Lee street, will begin a revival tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, and will continue throughout the week every night at 7:30. The meetings will be conducted by Miss Jennie Rigney, the successful lady evangelist of Maryland, assisted by the pastor of the church, the Rev. Van Ness.

In the Methodist Protestant Church Sunday School will be at 9:30 a. m., and the Hustler's Bible Class at 9:45. At the 11 a. m. service the sermon by the pastor, the Rev. Edward T. Kirkley, will be "Elijah's Translation." The Christian Endeavor will meet at 7:15 and at the 7:45 service the subject will be "Belshazzer's Feast."

In the First Baptist Church at the 11 a. m. service tomorrow there will be the installation of a deacon, and the sermon will be preached by the Rev. Dr. W. L. Wayts, of Del Ray. At the evening service at 7:45 an anniversary sermon will be preached by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Eugene B. Jackson.

Services in the Second Presbyterian Church will be at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. John Lee Allison. The morning theme will be "Present day call to the Church." Evening theme evangelistic. Sunday Schools will be at 9:30 a. m. in the Westminster Building and Payne Street Chapel. Men's Bible Class at 10 a. m. and Christian Endeavor at 7:15 p. m.

There was no session of the Police Court today.

Mr. George Tolley, of Richmond, is the guest of Miss Ruth Brown, at her home in North Payne street.

Miss Lucille Brawner has returned to her home in Dumfries, after a visit to her sister, Mrs. William T. Russell.

Morris Bragoff, of 1322 Prince street, reports that a thief stole a suit of clothes from his store and dwelling early yesterday morning, valued at $35. Entrance to the place was gained through a window.

A fine bay horse, owned by Horace A. Mudd, ran away yesterday afternoon, collided with a wagon loaded with iron pipe and was so badly injured that it was shot by Police Sergt. Scott, at the corner of King and Fairfax streets.

The funeral of Harry E. Connelly, foreman of the machine shop at the plant of the Alexandria Fertilizer & Chemical Company, who died on Friday night, will be held tomorrow afternoon at his late residence at 2 o'clock. Rev. Van Ness, pastor of the Free Methodist church, will officiate.

A cordial invitation is extended to all men who are not allied with another Bible Class to attend the Westminster tomorrow morning at 9:45. In the absence of the teacher, Mr. Frank Lee Slaymaker, Mr. H. Noel Garner will conduct the class. Tuesday evening the Westminster Class will meet under the leadership of Mr. Slaymaker.

The sum of $86,000 was paid for the plant of the New Washington Brick Company, located in Alexandria county, by a committee representing the bondholders of the company at the auction sale held on Thursday. The sale was made by J. Randall Caton, Levi H. David, Carl J. F. Graff, G. Washington Lewis and Gardner L. Boothe, special commissioners in the suit of Enoch L. White against the company.

The Alexandria High School Cadets were called out yesterday afternoon for drill and were reviewed by Prof. Stanley G. Blanton. Lieutenant Hancock was in command. Following the review the Cadets gave a parade through King street and made a very creditable showing indeed, every man marching like a trained veteran as the column passed along. They elicited much favorable comment on all sides.

The choir of St. Paul's Church will sing Stainer's "The Crucifixion" at the evening service tomorrow at 7:30. They have sung this well-known Lenten cantata each year for a number of years, and are thoroughly familiar with it, hence a fine rendition is expected. The soloists will be the regular tenor and bass of the church quartette, Mr. Kenneth W. Ogden and Mr. Wilmer J. Waller. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend the service.

Died in Baltimore.

Word has been received here announcing the death at Baltimore yesterday of Mrs. Ella Athey, daughter of the late Wm. B. Price, a former Mayor of Alexandria and for many years employed in the freight office of the old Orange, Alexandria and Manassas Railroad. The deceased was about 72 years old. Two sons survive her.

END OF THE ROMANOFFS

Czar Nicholas Abdicates Throne of Russia for Himself and His Successor.

Petrograd, March 17.—Czar Nicholas has abdicated the throne of Russia both for himself and the 12-year-old Czarevitch. Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, his brother, who had been decided upon originally to be regent, also has abdicated. This ends the Russian dynasty.

Russia last night was virtually a republic.

Petrograd, March 17.—The "republic of Russia"—dream of centuries loomed—large and radiant last night as the most probable outcome of the great revolt.

The monarchy has been suspended.

No regent has been, or will be, appointed until the people of Russia have spoken their will. It will be spoken at a popular convention in the near future. It will decide what form of government the people of Russia will have here after.

Meantime the affairs of the great former empire will be conducted by the ministry formed as the result of the overthrow of the reactionary government. Everything indicates that it has the great masses of the people on its side. The elements that were instrumental in forming it were labor and the soldiery. Out of several hundred delegates who voted at the council which elected it, only fifteen dissented.

Russia's revolt is over. But its evolution has only begun. Stormy days are still ahead.

Boulder, Colo., March 17.—"Grand Duke Alexandrovitch is not a strong enough man to handle the affairs of Russia." This was one of the reasons given last night by Count Tolstoi, son of the famous Russian novelist, in his argument that the regency of the grand duke would be unsuccessful. Count Tolstoi said the grand duke does not possess force of character enough to carry through the reforms demanded by the people, nor the ability to handle the affairs of government.

"Russia's revolution is not due," the count declared, "to the food shortage. The idea is ridiculous and has absolutely nothing to do with the conditions. Underlying the whole thing is the question of reactionary ministers and the pro-German ministers in the cabinet.

U-BOAT WARY OF GUNS.

Algonquin's Captain Regrets Ship Was Not Armed

London, March 17.—"If we had been armed I do not believe the submarine would have got us," said Captain Nordberg, of the American steamship Algonquin, sunk by a German submarine on March 12, in an interview. Explaining his reasons for this opinion, he continued:

"You must remember that we sighted the submarine when she was three miles away, before she opened fire, She was not submerged, and made a good target. If we had carried but one gun at the stern of the Algonquin, I firmly believe we would have been able to give a good account of ourselves. In other words, I believe that if we had not been successful in sinking the submarine we, at least, would have been able to frighten her off. As it was, we were easy prey. If the submarine commander was not able at first to see through his glasses that we were unarmed, he could rest assured of that fact as he came nearer and saw that we did not return his fire.

"I am convinced, from the cautiousness displayed by the submarine in our case, that submarine commanders are taking no chances. The fact that when the submarine came near the Algonquin it showed only the periscope until it was absolutely satisfied that we had no guns concealed aboard is an additional reason for my holding the belief that they do not attack armed vessels with the same freedom as in the case of unarmed ships.

"Another point worth mentioning is that I am certain that if we had been armed and able to hold our fire until the periscope appeared alongside the Algonquin we could have sent the submersible to the bottom as sure as taxes. The commander of the submarine displayed cautiousness throughout the business of sinking the Algonquin."

MOBILIZE STATE TROOPS

Governor Stuart Announces Receipt of Telegraphic Request From War Department.

Orders for the immediate preparation of a mobilization camp for the Virginia National Guard at war strength have been received by Adjutant-General W. W. Sale from the War Department. Steps to carry out the order have been taken at once. Majors Allen Potts and Jo Lane Stern went on duty yesterday morning for the purpose of selecting the camp site and getting it in shape for the possible mobilization of the State forces.

The telegram from the War Department was received here late Thursday night, and was at once forwarded to General Sale, who was in Norfolk attending a banquet to the Norfolk Blues. The Adjutant-General at once called up Governor Henry C. Stuart and read it over the long-distance telephone. Governor Henry C. Stuart later made public the fact that orders "to prepare at once a mobilization camp for the full war strength of the Virginia militia" had been received.

Major Allen Potts, quartermaster of the Virginia National Guard, was ordered to duty, and will be assisted in selecting the camp site and its preparation for the troops by Major Jo Lane Stern, inspector-general. They were notified by the Governor last night to go on duty this morning.

Richmond will undoubtedly be the mobilization point. The camp must have city water, electric lights, drainage and railroad sidings. Owing to the number of railroads at this point, regular army officers have decided that Richmond is the most practicable point in the state for mobilizing troops quickly, and the speed with which the last mobilization was carried out justified that decision.

BAPAUME IS SEIZED

Germans Leave Place in Flames — Other Towns Also Fall Before Haig.

London, March 17.—"Our troops entered Bapaume this morning, after stiff fighting." Reuter's correspondent telegraphs. "The place was in flames, the Germans having evidently made all plans for setting fire to it when forced to retreat.

"Our troops are reported to be beyond the town."

Reuter's correspondent also telegraphs that the towns of Le Transloy and Achiet-le-Petit also are reported to be in the hands of the British.

Paris, March 17.—French troops advanced last night north of the Avre and between the Avre and the Oise, making progress over a front of twenty kilometers (thirteen miles), and to a depth at some points of four kilometers (two and one-half miles), the war office announces today.

WASHINGTON STRIKE.

Believed That Trouble Will be Settled at Early Date.

Predicting that at least 90 per cent of the striking carmen would return to their old jobs, Capt. John T. Vickery, founder and chief of the Washington Detective Bureau, Incorporated, with central offices in New York City, which agency is in charge of the men brought here to break the strike, arrived in Washington last night for a stay of several days to look over the situation.

After examining reports of his assistants in his room at the New Willard, and engaging in conversation with other of his men in the Occidental Hotel, Mr Vickery expressed himself as being well satisfied with the striking conditions. He predicted that the trouble would soon be over.

Mr. Vickery based his declaration, that most of the employes would return to work, upon his long and varied experiences in every section of this country. His agency has handled confidential work for the largest business concerns in the United States and has an international reputation.

A row of baby carriages in charge of men were parked in front of the District Building late yesterday afternoon. The mothers had gone to see Commissioner Oliver P. Newman to present an appeal on behalf of their husbands, striking carmen.

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END OF THE ROMANOFFS.

Most thoughtful people, after having perused Mrs. Muhlbach's historical novels, some of which make interesting references to the Romanoff dynasty, will naturally wonder how any right-thinking human beings would remain for centuries with their necks under such a yoke. Of course, the German authoress could not call a spade a spade as other writers have done, and most of the reader's deductions are drawn from reading between the lines. But this enough to incense all right-thinking souls.

We had, like most people, read synopses of Russian history from the days of Peter the Great, aware of the fact that many of the real happenings had been necessarily obsecured. Recently the writer pulled from a pile of junk in Alexandria a new and well-bound book entitled, "The Private Life of the Romanoffs." The writer starts before the time of Peter the Great, and in the course of his work makes it plain that the secert life of Messalina, the stories of Boccacio and other bold recitals of past days have been more than eclipsed in the private life of the Romanoffs.

These individuals as well as their haughty ministers were ready to do anything cruel to perpetuate their power. The use of the knout and banishment to Siberia after arbitrary arrests had been made were regarded as their most deadly weapons, and were relied upon with as much confidence as the Kaiser is now his ruthless and cruel submarine warfare upon the civilization of the world.

The rank and file of Russia were regarded simply as beasts of burden who struggled for existence, while the "Great Father" resided alternately in his winter and summer palaces with a salary of eight million dollars a year, besides the revenues from the richest mines and most prosperous manufactories of the nation, which brought him about eight million more, or about fifty thousand a day;

There have been other revolutions and changes of rulers since the days of Peter the Great, but they were always conducted by former ministers who were anxious to reoccupy their old positions; hence there was but little blood shed. The patient Muscovites would awake in the morning and find that the weather and the ruler had changed during the night. They would continue to plod on as beasts of burden.

But the time has come when the people have arisen in their might, not for the purpose of changing a ruler, but to eliminate a dynasty which has for centuries been repugnant, to the nation.

The knout will be swayed no more, nor will the name of Siberia and the deadly quicksilver mines keep the patient subjects in the traces any longer. All prisoners are to be released, exiles invited to return and the descendants of the chosen people, long looked upon as the filth and offscouring of the world, will be allowed to dwell in Petrograd or Moscow, and not be compelled to procure passes while traveling from one place to another. Besides the Christian who may entertain an Israelite in his home will no longer be in danger of government action for presuming to violate a law of the Romanoffs.

And this brings to mind an incident in the diplomatic history of the United States thirty years ago. President Cleveland had appointed Mr. Keilly, of Richmond, minister to Austria. The Hapsburgs suggested to this country that better relations might be continued between Francis Joseph and the United States were some other man selected for the Vienna post, as Mr. Keilly's wife was a Jewess by birth, and representatives of this race are not allowed at Austrian courts. It is unnecessary to make any comment upon the above. A new era has dawned upon the land of the Muscovites. Let us hope that they will understand the meaning of liberty and profit accordingly.

ANOTHER SAD STORY

The killing of Stockton Heth, jr., by Professor Charles E. Vawter, in the latter's home early last Tuesday morning, has caused great sensation throughout the state. The family of the victim is wellknown throughout the commonwealth, and the fact that the cause of the tragedy and the details are almost secret, has added greatly to the interest in the case. Heth, while in the article of death, charged the professor with the crime. He added that he had no reason for killing him. The slayer on the other hand, charges Heth with betraying friendship and confidence reposed in him. There is but one meaning to this, which it is unnecessary to suggest. The professor must prove this charge to the satisfaction of a jury.

Similar occurences are going on in the United States all the year round. The great mass of the guilty escape human punishment, but now and then some disturber of family relations is killed, seemingly as a terrible reminder of the enormity of an offense so little weighed by the thoughtless and the venturesome.

Every community has such skeletons in its closets. Alexandria has its quota. We have no intention of reproducing them. But the winds sigh around mounds under which rest all that remains of men who took their lives in their own hands by violating one of the commands of the decalogue.

But must the man bear all the terrible consequences? We think not. Bathshebas have been in evidence from the days of the creation of the race. They are often the direct cause of homicide, and subsequently pass their days with consciences as guilty as that of Lady Macbeth.

The case of Beulah Binford, responsible for the murder of a young wife and the execution of her slayer, is still fresh in our minds. This occurred in 1911, in our own state.

In the early part of the year 1872 James Fisk, jr., was shot and killed by Edward H. Stokes in a fit of jealousy over a prominent woman of that day named Josie Mansfield. She died several years ago totally neglected, after having suffered long from a bad conscience. Fisk was a young man with a wife, and was among the most prominent financiers of the country at the time. Stokes was a young married man, too, but not rich, like Fisk. He, however, was more of the Apollo Belvidere mould than his rival, and he banked upon that. The woman, however, turned her covetous eyes to the more opulent of her admirers, and this caused the murder. Stokes escaped the gibbet, but his raven locks during the ordeal of his trial flourished as the almond tree. His peace of mind was gone. The echo of the terrible words, "Macbeth hath murdered sleep, Macbeth shall sleep no more," will go down the ages.

"OUR OLD FRIEND WILDE."

Our Richmond cotemporary which daily prints extracts from its files of fifty years ago, yesterday contained the following, which brings to mind a number of interesting incidents in Alexandria during the days of reconstruction:

"George Canning Wilde has resigned his position an assistant of internal revenue in the First District, and G. W. Richards has been appointed in his place."

George C. Wilde was a resident of Alexandria from 1867 to the early seventies. But few of the present generation knew him or probably ever heard of him. During the emigration from the east to the west in 1849 when gold was discovered in California, Wilde was one of the first Virginians to cross the continent. The late Captain James M. Steuart, the late William M. and Samuel Larmour, the late William M. Smith and other Alexandrians, made the trip also at different times. Wilde reappeared in his home state later and was at one time an employe of the court in Richmond. In 1867 "The Virginia State Journal" was published in Alexandria by Cowing & Gillis, and Wilde became the local editor, but he virtually wrote and prepared all the copy for the paper. To relate all the ludicrous incidents in the career of George Wilde in Alexandria during those days would make a small-sized volume, besides it would be out of order, as it would be necessary to bring in names of people then living whose descendants would not understand nor appreciate the references.

Wilde followed the Journal when it was removed to Richmond, but a few years later reappeared here and was employed by the publishers of the Virginia Sentinel, printed in old Liberty Hall on Cameron street. He also at times worked on the Gazette. Some of the most exciting and ridiculous chapters in his history were enacted at this time.

Wilde later returned to Richmond and resumed work on certain papers until advancing years forced him to drop the quill. He was an original writer and his productions always abounded in humor.

Up to about ten years ago Wilde would reappear in Alexandria once a year as juryman in the United States Court. At such times he sought many of his old acquaintances. The writer met him about ten years ago on the streets of Alexandria. He was then very feeble, and during a short conversation he said "I'm eighty ears old." He is now, of course, a nonagenarian. He is passing the advanced evening of his life in a retreat in Richmond.

U. S. MAY TAKE CONTROL.

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fective tonight, was the substance of a report received here by local officials yesterday afternoon from Washington, the southern terminal of the Pennsylvania system. It is on the Pennsylvania and other of the larger northern railroads that the force of the threatened strike is concentrated. This line has been the principal center of the brotherhood leaders' activities and the one against which the first strike order will be directed, it is said.

Should the employes of the Pennsylvania renounce their affiliations with the brotherhood, it is generally conceded that the strike automatically will be averted. The Pennsylvania is among the largest railroad systems in the United States and the action of its men probably will be met sympathetically by the employes of the majority of railroads. This report created considerable interest here, and an official announcement from the Pennsylvania is being awaited with suspense.

HAND GERMANS PASSPORTS.

Chinese Note Tells Minister U-Boat Reply is Unsatisfactory.

Peking, March 17.—The German Minister to China and his staff and also all the German consuls in the country were handed their passports at noon Wednesday. A note accompanying the passports explained that the German reply to China's submarine warfare protest was unsatisfactory. The passports, the note added, were "for protection while leaving Chinese territory."

Mary Pickford at Richmond Monday.

"A Poor Little Rich Girl," will disclose Mary Pickford in a picture which, although of typical Pickford charm, presents the famous girl-star in a character quite different from anything in which she has appeared heretofore. For instance, who ever heard of Mary Pickford being a regular little bob-cat when it comes to fighting? Yet this is just what proves to be the case in "Little Mary's" new film when a gang of street urchins attack her at her palatial home.

Notice

TAKE NOTICE—That the undersigned will, on April 9, 1917, or as soon thereafter as the same may be heard, make application to the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, for license to order, purchase or receive ardent spirits for the use of the Alexandria Hospital, and not to be used contrary to the provisions of chapter 146 of the Acts of Assembly of 1916; and to sell such ardent spirits upon prescription to the patients of said Hospital under and in accordance with the provisions of chapter 146 of the Acts or Assembly of 1916.

WORTH HULFISH,
President of Board of Trustees of Alexandria Hospital. March 17-24-31

George F. Brown, Canadian student studying aviation at Newport News, had a narrow escape from death yesterday when his machine dropped several hundred feet to the earth and was totally wrecked. Brown escaped with several bruises. The machine, which he let get beyond his control, will be a total loss.

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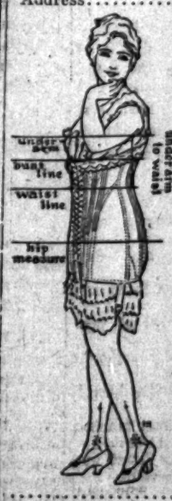

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8:47 A. M. Daily—Local for Harrisonburg and way stations, Buffet parlor car.

9:17 A. M. Daily—Mail train, coaches for Manassas, Warrenton, Orange, Lynchburg, Greensboro and Charlotte.

10:33 A. M. Daily—U. S. Fast Mail stops only for passengers to points at which scheduled to stop. Coaches and Sleeping cars to Atlanta, New Orleans, Birmingham. Sleeping car Salisbury to Asheville. Coaches for Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Danville Greensboro, and Charlotte.

4:22 P. M. Daily—Local for Charlottesville connecting at Calverton for Warrenton.

4:52 P. M. Daily—Birmingham Special. Sleeping cars between New York, Atlanta, Anniston, Birmingham, and Atlantic, Anniston, Birmingham, Through first class coaches between Washington, Atlanta and Birmingham. Dining car service, Tourist to California daily.

6:03 P. M.—Daily local for Harrisonburg and way Stations on Manassas branch. Pullman Buffet parlor cars.

5:22 P. M.—Local for Warrenton.

7:17 P. M. Daily—Augusta Special Through train with sleeping cars to Charlotte, Columbia, Aiken and Augusta. Through Sleeping cars to Asheville.

10:02 P. M. Daily—Washington and Chattanooga Limited (via Lynchburg) First class coaches and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville Chattanooga, Sleeper to New Orleans, Washington to Roanoke Dining car service.

11:03 P. M. Daily—New York and New Orleans Limited. All Pullman train. Club and Observation cars to New Orleans, Dining car service.

4:27 A. M. Daily—Memphis special, sleeping cars and coaches for Roanoke, Knoxville, Nashville, Chattanooga, and Memphis. Dining car service. Washington sleeping cars open 10 p. m.

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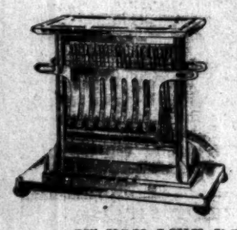

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KILLING OF HETH.

Slayer Says Dead Man Betrayed Friendship and Confidence.

Counsel for Prof. Charles E. Vawter, accused of killing Stockton Heth, Jr., issued a statement last night saying that "after a thorough investigation of the facts surrounding the tragedy, the evidence will disclose a betrayal of friendship and confidence reposed." This is the first statement from any member or representative of the Vawter family since Heth was fatally shot in the Vawter home early last Tuesday morning. Heth died at Roanoke Thursday and Professor Vawter gave new bond yesterday after waiving a preliminary hearing.

If Professor Charles W. Vawter is put on trial for his life for shooting Stockton Heth, Jr., testimony can be put in evidence, it is declared in Blacksburg, upon which Virginia juries have returned numerous acquittals. Neither Professor Vawter nor his wife is willing to break the mysterious silence. It is known, however, that young Heth had upon numerous occasions visited the Vawter home and that Professor Vawter was not always there when the visitor called.

Heth's dying statement to the effect that in shooting him Professor Vawter "had not a leg to stand on" is not considered peculiar in view of the facts. Heth is known to have been a dear friend of Mrs. Vawter, and would never, it is declared, have uttered a word which could be construed as casting suspicion upon her. It is stated that Professor Vawter had, according to his own judgment, ample reason for shooting the guest who was passing the night in his home.

Shortly after giving bond, counsel for Professor Vawter gave out the following statement:

"In view of the account published by the press of what is purported to be the dying statement of Stockton Heth, Jr., as to the circumstances leading up to his shooting, counsel for Professor C. E. Vawter is of the opinion that it would serve no good purpose for their client to make a detailed statement at this time other than to say that after a thorough investigation of the surrounding facts culminating in the unfortunate tragedy the evidence will disclose a betrayal of friendship and confidence reposed. The day has not come when the honor of a Virginia home is no longer sacred, and we feel that our client will have nothing to fear at the hands of a jury of his countrymen."

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RUSSIANS EXAMPLE.

Significant Debate in German Reichstag as Romanoffs Were Falling.

The debate in the Prussian diet on Wednesday after the address by the imperial chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, was remarkable for its slashing attacks on "junkerism" by both socialist factions.

Herr Leinert, a socialist democrat, denounced the upper chamber of the diet, which he said regarded the government as the mere caretaker of their own selfish interests and where nothing counted but shameless profiteering. Declaring that the reorganization of that body as suggested by the national liberals was useless, he added:

"We must abolish the upper house, which is a millstone around the neck of any progressive development in Prussia."

He said the upper house regards as its own special prerogative. It wants the people to be commandeered into war and out of it, and that things afterward should remain as they were. That is impossible. The people demand peace at the soonest possible moment. We are no longer serfs whom the king can buy and sell or order us to bleed and die at the word of command. We are a nation that has reached political manhood. Amid intermittent cheers, Herr Leinert hinted at a time coming when the whole nation would arise and sweep "junkerism" off the earth.

The Rheinische Westfalische Zeitung of Amsterdam publishes the following excerpts from the speech of Deputy Hoffmann in the Prussian diet which brought about his expulsion from the chamber:

"We shall refuse to vote for the budget. Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg is merely the fig leaf of military absolutism. Militarism bears the responsibility for the bloodshed in Europe and only when militarism and despotism are removed will the people breathe freely. Force of arms will not lead to a decision and peace. Distress, desperation and general collapse will do it.

"When both enemies are equally strong the threat of crushing is sheer nonsense. Germany, despite many successes, has not conquered.

"The revolution in Russia should be a warning to our rulers. The German submarine warfare is opposed to the laws of humanity and international law."

An article in a Frankfurter Zeitung appears to confirm to some degree the impression that the sudden appearance of Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg in the Prussian diet on Wednesday and his speech advocating the democratization of Germany were caused by his knowledge of events in Petrograd.

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CHARLES H. CALLAHAN,
Commissioner of Revenue.

As stated above the Commissioner of Revenue of this city is engaged in making the annual assessment, and as his time is limited by law we earnestly request that the tax payers will promptly list their property and return said list to the Commissioner duly sworn to before some one authorized to administer oaths, not later than the first day of April. Those who desire the Commissioner to assist them in the preparation of their returns will find him in his office every evening from seven to nine o'clock, but unless weather conditions prevent he will be out making his rounds during the day, in view of which the opportunity to file reports in the evening should be promptly accepted.

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62-10t Local Board of Review.

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VIRGINIA NEWS

"Tom" Farmer, a pal of Jesse James and "Ted" Mercer, a reformed Virginia drinker, will tell Washington folks next week—under Y. M. C. A. auspices—some of the pitfalls of Satan.

The jury in the Federal District Court in Lynchburg yesterday in the case of Morris S. Clarke, a negro railway postal service employee, against the Southern Railway Company, returned a verdict for the defendant company. The case grew out of the refusal of the conductor of a Pullman car on an excursion operated August 16, 1916, to Niagara Falls to give Clark a berth in a Pullman for which he held a ticket. The plaintiff, the evidence showed during the trial, was offered accommodations equal to those for which his ticket called, but these were refused, and upon his return from the excursion, suit was instituted in which damages to the extent of $15,000 were asked for.

A freight train on the Atlantic Coast Line Railway was wrecked Friday, near Carson, 10 miles south of Petersburg. A number of loaded cars were destroyed and the track torn up for some distance. Trains were detoured over the Seaboard Air Line Railway. No one was injured.

Representatives of the largest industries of Winchester and orchardists of the county at a meeting last night passed resolutions condemning the action of the leaders of brotherhoods for calling the railroad strike as premature, unjustified and unpatriotic and showing a lack of respect for the Supreme Court of the United States. Congressman T. W. Harrison was urged in the resolution to favor the enactment of a law that will compel arbitration of disputes of this character.

The expenditure of $2,500,000 for improvements is to be made immediately by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company, officials said yesterday following announcement that the yard had been awarded contracts for two battle cruisers. The improvements will include two new ship ways, new machine shops and enlargement of some of the present shops. The ship ways, to be the largest in the world, will cost about $600,000 each.

Under the first year of the segregation plan of taxation Fairfax County received from the State $15,462.65 more than she paid into the State treasury in the form of taxes according to the annual report of State Auditor Moore just issued. The year before the new tax laws went into effect the situation was almost the reverse, for in 1915, Fairfax paid into the State treasury $13,733.11 more than she received from the State. The figures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, show that State taxes collected in the county amounted to $37,765.50, while payments from the State to the county treasury totalled $53,228.15.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Four men were burned to death last night at Cleveland, Ohio, when fire partially destroyed the Palisades lodging house in the downtown district. Fifty men in the building fled when the alarm was sounded. The four victims were trapped on the sixth floor. The roof caved in on them. Several lodgers were slightly burned.

The British troops in the Somme region of France have occupied almost all of the St. Pierre Vaast wood and 3,000 yards of German trenches north and south of the wood, according to the British official communication issued yesterday evening.

The United States under no circumstances will recognize the right of other neutrals to bar its armed merchantment from their port. This was made clear at the State Department yesterday upon the receipt of advices from Copenhagen that Holland might not permit armed American ships to enter its harbors. The position of the government is that the United States has a clear right to enter anywhere, as it is not a belligerent, and that even its warships cannot legally be barred.

Cornelius J. Sullivan, as special guardian of John Jacob Astor, four years of age, yesterday filed a report in New York approving the accounts of the boy's mother, Mrs. Madeline Force Astor Dick. She reported that she had expended about $75, a day for the maintenance of the infant from the income he is entitled to, as an heir to $3,000,000.

Two bombs were exploded yesterday afternoon in the men's washroom just outside the door of the Supreme Court room in the Suffolk County, Mass., courthouse in Pemberton Square. Two men were killed outright The massive three-story building was rocked by the force of the explosion. There was a panic. All courts were in session. Some one ordered all exits of the courthouse locked.

Hurried steps to greatly reinforce the American forces on guard at the Panama Canal were under way at the War Department last night, along with other momentous preparedness plans.

MAY SEIZE OHIO ROADS.

Will Declare Martial Law if Food Famine Threatens.

Columbus, Ohio, March 17.—Gov. Cox has issued a statement saying the State of Ohio was ready for any emergency in connection with the threatened railroad strike, and that "if it becomes necessary to avert a food famine or to give the President of the United States that cooperation in a crisis which he deserves, I will make martial law—the law of the State—take over the railroads and run them."

The governor's statement follows: "The railroads of Ohio are of the substance of our people. While they are under corporate direction, still they grew from the energy and resources of the State, deriving their present condition from the activities of the communities through which they pass.

"These are perilous times, and Ohio, if it becomes necessary to avert a food famine or to give the President of the United States that cooperation in a crisis which he deserves, I will make martial law—the law of the human heart becomes the law of the land. Martial law displaces all other law. Our creed will be justice to our people and help to our President, and I have every confidence that when the call is made on our citizenship the response will be satisfactory."

Notice

TAKE NOTICE—That the undersigned will, on the 9th day of April, 1917, or as soon thereafter as his application may be heard, make application to the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, for license to order, purchase or receive pure grain, ethyl, or pure fruit alcohol; for the use of the laboratory of the Alexandria Fertilizer & Chemical Company, in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, not to be used contrary to the provisions of chapter 146 of the Acts of Assembly of Virginia, of 1916.

D. M. FRENCH,
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March 17-24-31.

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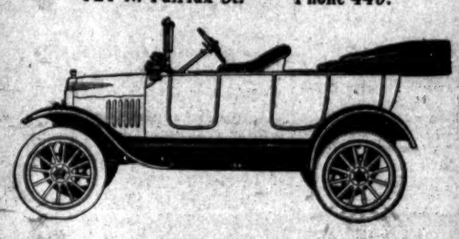

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AUCTION SALE
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Persuant to the terms of a deed of trust bearing date on April 6th, 1911, recorded among the land records of Alexandria City, Virginia, in Deed Book 61, page 21, executed by Elizabeth Page Robinson to Cornelius B. Hite, and Harold E. West, to secure the payment of certain Notes therein set forth, default having been made in the payment of some of the said notes, and at the request and by the direction of the holder of said notes, the undersigned Trustees will offer for sale at public acution at the Royal Street entrance to the Market Building, in the City of Alexandria, on Saturday March 24th, 1917, at 12 o'clock noon, an entire square of ground bounded as follows. On the north by Madison Street, on the East by Payne Street, on the South by Wythe Street, and on the West by West Street.

Terms of Sale:—Cash, Conveyancing at the cost of the purchaser.

For further particulars, consult Richard M. Green, Citizens National Bank.

Cornelius B. Hite and Harold E. West, Trustees. 60-td.

AUCTION SALE
—of—
Valuable Business Property at the Southwest Corner of King and Fairfax Streets

Pursuant to the terms of a deed of trust bearing date on March 1, 1915, and duly recorded among the land records of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, in Deed Book No. 64, page 243, given by C. C. Leadbeater and others to the undersigned, to secure the payment of certain indebtedness therein set forth, default having been made in the payment of one of the notes secured by said deed of trust, and at the request of the holder, pursuant to said deed of trust, will offer for sale at public auction, at the Royal Street entrance to the Market Building in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, at 12 o'clock Noon, on Thursday, March 29, 1917, all those lots of ground, with the buildings and improvements thereon, in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:—

1. Beginning on the west side of Fairfax Street, 90 feet south of King Street, and running thence north on Fairfax Street 40 feet, more or less, to the line of the property adjoining on the north; thence west parallel to King Street 40 feet; thence south parallel to Fairfax Street 40 feet; more or less, the length of the first line; and thence east in a direct line 40 feet to the beginning, with all appurtenances.

2. Begining at the intersection of the south side of King Street with the west side of Fairfax Street, and running thence west on King Street 40 feet; thence south parallel to Fairfax Street 51 feet 6 inches; thence east in a direct line 40 feet to Fairfax Street; and thence north on Fairfax Street 51 feet 6 inches to the beginning, with all rights and appurtenances to the same belonging.

Terms of Sale:—Cash. Conveyancing at the cost of the purchasr.

C. S. TAYLOR BURKE,
63-td. Trustee.

PUBLIC SALE
—of—
HOUSE AND THREE LOTS.

By Samuel H. Lunt, Auctioneer.

By Virtue of a decree of the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, entered on February 24, 1917, in the Chancery cause therein depending of Mildred Botts, widow, et als, Complainants against Robinson Moncure, Trustee, et als, Defendants, the undersigned Special Commissioners of Sale were therein ordered to expose for sale, at public auction in front of the Royal Street entrance to the Market House, in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, decedent, Joseph Botts and Jane Botts, house and three lots located on the west side of Washington street between Wythe and Madison streets, Alexandria, Virginia, fronting 58 feet 10 1-3 inches and running back 113 feet, 5 inches to a 20 foot alley, being 176 feet 7 inches north of Wythe street, and known as No. 718 North Washington street,

Therefore in pursuance of said decree the undersigned Special Commissioners of Sale will expose to sale at public auction to the highest bidder said house and three lots, on SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 1917, at 12 M., in front of the Royal Street entrance to the Market Building, Alexandria, Virginia, being bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the west side of Washington street, 176 feet, 7 inches, north of Wythe street, and running thence north on Washington street, 58 feet, 10 -3 inches; thence west parallel with Wythe street, 113 feet, 5 inches to an alley 20 feet wide; thence south on said alley parallel with Washington street 58 feet, 10 1-3 inches; and thence east parallel with Wythe street, 113 feet, 5 inches to the beginning.

Terms: — Cash, or 1-3 cash and the residue in 2 equal payments at 6 and 12 months, secured by reserved title or trust deed. Conveyancing to be at cost of purchaser.

ROBINSON MONCURE,
JOHN M. JOHNSON,
Special Commissioners of Sale.

In the Clerk's Office of the Corporation Court of Alexandria City, Virginia, February 27th, 1917.

I, N. S. Greenaway, Clerk of aforesaid Court, do certify that Robinson Moncure, one of the above said Special Commissioners of Sale, has duly given bond as provided by law and decree entered in above named cause with United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, as his surety, for the due performance of his duties as such. 51-4w

NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.